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LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

- 1 1. (Currently Amended) A method for routing emergency telephone calls via an IP softphone to a public safety answering point, comprising the steps of:
 - 4 communicating non-emergency telephone calls via a wide area network by the IP softphone;
 - 6 detecting an emergency telephone call being originated by the IP softphone;
 - 8 originating always a direct communication path for the emergency telephone call via an cellular radio interface to and a cellular network to the public safety answering point whereby the emergency telephone calls are always communicated via the cellular radio interface and the cellular network to the public safety answering point; and
 - 13 communicating the emergency telephone call via the communication path via the cellular network to the public safety answering point whereby the public safety answering point responds to the emergency telephone call and determines a location of the IP Softphone;[.]
 - 18 detecting a termination of the emergency telephone call by the IP softphone; and
 - 20 re-communicating non-emergency telephone calls via the wide area network by the IP Softphone whereby non-emergency telephone calls are always communicated via the wide area network.
- 1 2. (Canceled)
- 1 3. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein the cellular radio interface is an integral part of the IP softphone.

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1 4. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein the cellular radio
2 interface is external to the IP softphone.

1 5. (Original) The method of claim 4 further comprises connecting
2 the cellular radio interface to the IP softphone via an universal serial bus
3 interface.

1 6. (Currently Amended) A method for routing emergency
2 telephone calls via an IP softphone to a public safety answering point,
3 comprising the steps of:

4 communicating always non-emergency telephone calls via a wide
5 area network to an enterprise communication switching system by the IP
6 softphone;

7 detecting an emergency telephone call being originated by the IP
8 Softphone;

9 originating always a direct communication path for the emergency
10 telephone call via an cellular radio interface to and a cellular network to
11 the public safety answering point whereby the emergency telephone calls
12 are always communicated via the cellular radio interface and the cellular
13 network to the public safety answering point; and

14 communicating the emergency telephone call via the
15 communication path via the cellular network to the public safety answering
16 point whereby the public safety answering point responds to the
17 emergency telephone call and determines a location of the IP
18 Softphone[.]

19 detecting a termination of the emergency telephone call by the IP
20 softphone; and

21 re-communicating non-emergency telephone calls via the wide area
22 network to the enterprise communication switching system by the IP

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23 Softphone whereby non-emergency telephone calls are always
24 communicated via the wide area network.

1 7. (Canceled)

1 8. (Original) The method of claim 7 wherein the cellular radio
2 interface is an integral part of the IP softphone.

1 9. (Original) The method of claim 7 wherein the cellular radio
2 interface is external to the IP softphone.

1 10. (Original) The method of claim 9 further comprises connecting
2 the cellular radio interface to the IP softphone via an universal serial bus
3 interface.

1 11. (Currently Amended) An IP softphone for routing emergency
2 telephone calls to a public safety answering point, comprising:

3 a first interface communicating non-emergency telephone calls via
4 a wide area network;

5 a personal computer for detecting an emergency telephone call
6 being originated by the IP softphone;

7 the personal computer further always originating a direct
8 communication path for the emergency telephone call via a second
9 interface to and a cellular network to the public safety answering point
10 whereby the emergency telephone calls are always communicated via the
11 cellular radio interface and the cellular network to the public safety
12 answering point; and

13 the second interface under control of the personal computer
14 communicating the emergency telephone call via the communication path
15 via the cellular network to the public safety answering point whereby the

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16 public safety answering point responds to the emergency telephone call
17 and determines a location of the IP Softphone;[.]
18 the second interface detecting under control of the personal
19 computer a termination of the emergency telephone call; and
20 the first interface re-communicating non-emergency telephone calls
21 under control of the personal computer via the wide area network whereby
22 non-emergency telephone calls are always communicated via the wide
23 area network.

1 12. (Canceled)

1 13. (Original) The IP softphone of claim 12 wherein the second
2 interface is an integral part of the personal computer.

1 14. (Original) The IP softphone of claim 12 wherein the second
2 interface is external to the personal computer.

1 15. (Original) The IP softphone of claim 14 wherein the first
2 interface is an universal serial bus interface.

1 16. (Currently Amended) An IP softphone for routing emergency
2 telephone calls to a public safety answering point, comprising:
3 a first interface communicating non-emergency telephone calls via
4 a wide area network to an enterprise communication switching system;
5 a personal computer for detecting an emergency telephone call
6 being originated by the IP softphone;
7 the personal computer further always originating a direct
8 communication path for the emergency telephone call via a second
9 interface to and a cellular network to the public safety answering point
10 whereby the emergency telephone calls are always communicated via the

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11 cellular radio interface and the cellular network to the public safety
12 answering point; and
13 the second interface under control of the personal computer
14 communicating the emergency telephone call via the communication path
15 via the cellular network to the public safety answering point whereby the
16 public safety answering point responds to the emergency telephone call
17 and determines a location of the IP Softphone:[(.)]
18 the second interface detecting under control of the personal
19 computer a termination of the emergency telephone call; and
20 the first interface re-communicating non-emergency telephone calls
21 under control of the personal computer via the wide area network whereby
22 non-emergency telephone calls are always communicated via the wide
23 area network.

1 17. (Canceled)

1 18. (Original) The IP softphone of claim 17 wherein the second
2 interface is an integral part of the personal computer.

1 19. (Original) The IP softphone of claim 17 wherein the second
2 interface is external to the personal computer.

1 20. (Original) The IP softphone of claim 19 wherein the first
2 interface is an universal serial bus interface.